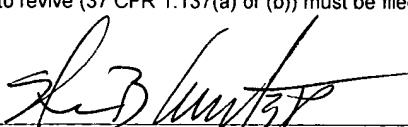


<b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>		Attorney's Docket Number <b>2726/5</b> U.S. Application No. (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5) <b>10/537415</b>
International Application No. <b>PCT/EP03/11032</b>	International Filing Date <b>October 6, 2003</b>	Priority Date Claimed <b>December 2, 2002</b>
<p>Title of Invention  <b>ROUNDED-PARTICLE PLASTIC POWDER IN PARTICULAR FOR APPLICATION IN LASER SINTERING, METHOD FOR PRODUCTION OF SUCH A POWDER AND LASER SINTERING PROCESS USING SUCH A POWDER</b> </p>		
<p>Applicant(s) for DO/EO/US  <b>Mandy GERSCH; Frank MÜLLER; Thomas MATTES; Peter KELLER</b> </p>		
<p>Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:</p>		
<p>1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.</p>		
<p>2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.</p>		
<p>3. <input type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.</p>		
<p>4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31).</p>		
<p>5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))</p>		
<p>a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</p>		
<p>b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau.</p>		
<p>c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).</p>		
<p>6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))</p>		
<p>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto.</p>		
<p>b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</p>		
<p>7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))</p>		
<p>a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</p>		
<p>b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau.</p>		
<p>c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.</p>		
<p>d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.</p>		
<p>8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).</p>		
<p>9. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).</p>		
<p>10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).</p>		
<p><b>Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:</b></p>		
<p>11. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98, and 8 prior art documents</p>		
<p>12. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Assignment document for recording. A fee and separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 are included.</p>		
<p>13. <input type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment.</p>		
<p>14. <input type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.</p>		
<p>15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.</p>		
<p>16. <input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.</p>		
<p>17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821-1.825.</p>		
<p>18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</p>		
<p>19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</p>		
<p>20. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: Form PCT/RO/101 (English Translation) Form PCT/IB/306; Form PCT/IB/308; Corrected Title Page of Published International Application; International Search Report (PCT/ISA/210); International Preliminary Examination Report (PCT/IPEA/409), 4 sheets of Drawings</p>		

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